

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, O.C. 20163

February 3, 2000

Mr. Esteban Torres, Treasurer Hispanic PAC USA Inc. 908 E. Lucille Avenue West Covina, CA 91790

Identification Number:

C00250217

Reference:

April Quarterly (1/1/99-3/31/99) and Amended July Quarterly (4/1/99-

6/30/99), dated 9/27/99 Reports

Dear Mr. Torres:

This letter is to inform you that as of February 2, 2000 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated January 12, 2000. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Andrea Wilkens on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April Quarterly Report (1/1/99-3/31/99)

Dear Mr. Torres:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your calculations for Line 19, Columns A and B appear to be incorrect. FEC calculations disclose this amount(s) to be \$53,020.95 respectively. Please provide the corrected total(s) on the Detailed Summary Page.

-On Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page, your report disclosed contributions from individuals that omit the aggregate year-to-date totals. Please amend your report by supplying the information. 11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)

-Your report does not include a Schedule H1 to disclose the ratio for the allocation of administrative and generic voter drive costs. This ratio is determined at the beginning of each two-year election cycle. All shared administrative and generic voter drive costs incurred during the two-year cycle must be allocated according to this ratio, unless the federal account elects to pay a higher percentage of its cost. 11 CFR §106.5(b)(2), (d)(1), (d)(2) and 11 CFR §§104.10(b)(1)(ii)(B) and 106.6(c)

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to check the appropriate CATEGORY box for the payment(s) made to all vendors. Please amend your report to disclose the appropriate category.

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to include the total EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE amount for a payment(s) to all payees. Please amend your report to include the missing EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total(s).

Your report discloses limited payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Any such payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule B, supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5) If these expenses are being paid by a connected organization, your Statement of Organization must be amended to reflect this relationship. 2 U.S.C. §433(b)(2) In addition, if expenses have been incurred but not paid in a reporting period, the activity should be disclosed as a debt on Schedule D, if the obligation is \$500 or more, or outstanding for sixty days or more. 11 CFR §104.11

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed <u>during</u> <u>each two year election cycle</u> beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. Please verify that all expenses referenced above (i.e., rent, salaries, utilities, etc.) have been adequately disclosed. If these services have been provided by volunteers, please confirm this in writing.

-It has come to the attention of the Federal Election Commission that the reports you have filed during the current election cycle do not reflect the appropriate coverage dates for quarterly filing status. Please be advised of the filing dates and coverage periods for the 1999-2000 election cycle and fill in the appropriate dates on Line 5 of the Summary Page.

 			
Report Type	Coverage Dates	Due Date	
Mid-Year Year End April Quarterly	1/1/99-6/30/99 7/1/99-12/31/99 1/1/00-3/31/00	July 31, 1999 January 31, 2000 April 15, 2000	

July Quarterly	4/1/00-6/30/00		July 15, 2000
October Quarterly	7/1/00-9/30/00		October 15, 2000
12 Day Pre-General	10/1/00-10/18/00		October 26, 2000
30 Day Post-General	10/19/00-11/27/00		December 7, 2000
Year End	11/28/00-12/31/00	:	January 31, 2001

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely, andula Wilkens

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